(b) how many of them are working continuously for the last ten years, five years and three years;

(c) how many of them have been regularised so far;

(d) how many of them are employed on hazardous duties; and

(e) whether the contract labourers employed on contract basis are given normal safety measures ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) Contract labour is hired only through licenced contractors by HPCL, for occasional jobs in the Refinery and execution of projects. Depending upon the quantum of work the number could range from about 600 to 800 at present.

(b) The catering contractors have been employing 39 labourers for the last 5 years and 28 for the last 3 years continuously.

(c) None Sir.

(d) None Sir.

(e) Yes Sir, wherever required.

Vehicle loan Policy of Oil Companies

2263. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total number of officers in Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd., Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. and Indian Oil Corporation, company-wise;

(b) what is the vehicle loan policy of these companies;

(c) how many officers of these companies applied for vehicle loans during the last three years, company-wise;

(d) how many applications were accepted and rejected during the last three years company-wise;

(e) how many officers have already taken the vehicle loans company-wise; and

(f) by whom and in what manner the policy of these companies regarding vehicle loans is being monitored ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT) :

(a) HPCL . . 2251
BPCL . . 2083
IOC . . 7426

(b) Group A Officers are eligible for vehicle loan to purchase two wheelers, and Group B Officers and above for purchase of cars;

(c) HPCL . . 802
BPCL . . 329
IOC . . 3688

(d) Applications	accepted	Rejected
HPCL . .	802	..
BPCL . .	329	..
IOC . .	3287	401

(e) HPCL . . 1550
BPCL . . 886
IOC 4939

(f) Enforcement and monitoring of the policy is done at appropriate management levels.

Curtailing the Payment of overtime Allowance in HPCL, BPCL and IOC

2264. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN . Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total wage bill of non Management Cadres of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited, Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited and Indian Oil Company together with company-wise during the last three years;

(b) what is the amount of overtime paid to employees of these companies during the last three years, separately for each company; and

(c) what are the measures taken by these companies to curtail the payment of *overtime* ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) The total wage bill for the three Oil Companies was Rs. 26196.32 lakhs. Company-wise figures are given below :

(Rs. in Lacs)

	HPCL	BPCL	ICC
1984-85	1158·00	1407·88	5442·86
1985-86	1682·00	1571·25	5373·06
1986-87	1982·00	2097·62	5941·65
TOTAL:	4762·00	5076·75	16357·57

(b) Overtime figures are given below :

Rs. in lacs

	HPCL	BPCL	IOC
1984-85	206·00	195·01	1212·84
1985-86	286·00	213·08	1230·49
1986-87	393·00	248·87	1391·14
TOTAL :	885·00	656·96	3834·47

(c) Manpower planning, Zero-Based-Budgeting and monthly performance reviews are undertaken to contain overtime costs. Overtime payments are allowed only due to exigencies of work.

Manufacturing of Scooters

2265. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of scooters manufactured and sold in the country during the last three years;

(b) the total number of scooters exported during this period; and

(c) the number of foreign countries which were the buyers of Indian scooters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) The production and sales of